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C O N F I D E N T I A L COLOMBO 0544

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, UN,PARM,CE
SUBJECT: UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT

REF: STATE 026795

AMBASSADOR MET WITH DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MDFA), ARTHUR BASNAYAKE, ON FEBRUARY
11 AND DISCUSSED UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT (SSOD)
AND PREPARATORY CONFERENCES (PREPCONS) ALONG LINES SUGGESTED REFTEL.
BASNAYAKE EXPRESSED PERSONAL OPINION THAT IN SO LARGE A CONFERENCE
HE DIDN'T SEE MUCH HOPE FOR CONCRETE RESULTS, ESPECIALLY IF THE
SOVIETS AND EAST EUROPEANS ATTEMPTED TO TURN IT INTO A
PREPARATORY CONFERENCE FOR THE WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

2. BASNAYAKE SAID THAT WHILE MDFA IS CONCERNED ABOUT
DISARMAMENT, SUBJECT IS REMOTE TO SRI LANKA'S IMMEDIATE
CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS AND TAKES LOW PRIORITY WITHIN
MINISTRY ITSELF. NO STUDIES OR AIRING OF ISSUES ON THE
PREPCONS OR SSOD ISSELF HAVE BEEN DONE IN MDFA.WORK
ON THE CONFERENCES IS BEING DONE AT THE UN IN NEW YORK
BY SHIRLEY AMARASINGHE, WHO WILL HEAD SRI LANKA'S
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DELEGATION TO CONFERENCE. MDFA'S ROLE WILL BE TO
REACT TO WHAT IS SENT FROM NEW YORK. SHIRLEY
AMARASINGHE IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO COLOMBO IN LATE
MARCH, AND BASNAYAKE OFFERED TO ARRANGE FOR AMBASSADOR
TO MEET WITH HIM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION ON SSOD.

3. BASNAYAKE MENTIONED THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT

YOGOSLAVIA HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN CHAIRING SSOD.
SRI LANKA, HE ADDED, IS OVER COMMITTED ON CHAIRMANSIPS
NOW AND WOULDN'T BE INTERESTED IN ANOTHER ONE.
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